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SUBJECT: 29TH UNGA -SECOND COMMITTEE-ITEM 46 - ENVIRONMENT

1. FOLLOWING DRAFT RESOLUTION PROVIDED MISOFF BY UPPER VOLTA
FOR ITEM 46. (ITEM 46 SCHEDULED TO BE OPENED FRIDAY, NOV. 1).
REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS.

2. QUOTE

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

BEARING IN MIND ITS RESOLUTION 3168 (XXVIII) OF DECEMBER

17TH 1973 ON THE STRENGTHENING OF ECONOMIC, SCIENTIFIC AND
TECHNICAL COOPERATION AMONG STATES;

RECALLING ECOSOC RESOLUTION 1826 (LV) OF AUGUST 10,

1973 WHICH NOTED THE NEED FOR NEW ACTION TO INTENSIFY

INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION ENABLING ALL COUNTRIES, AND

IN PARTICULAR, THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TO BENEFIT FROM THE

ACHIEVEMENTS OF MODERN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR THE

ACCELERATION OF THEIR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL PROGRESS,

RECALLING FURTHER ECOSOC RESOLUTION 1878 (LVII) WHICH

REQUESTED ALL THE ORGANISATIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM

CONCERNED TO PURSUE THEIR ACTIVITIES AND EFFORTS TOWARD

A BROAD, SYSTEM-WIDE ATTACK ON THE DROUGHT PROBLEM,

EMPHASIZING THE NECESSITY TO ENSURE THAT ALL AVAILABLE

KNOWLEDGE IN THIS

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AREA IS FULLY UTILIZED, IN PARTICULAR, THE EXPERIENCE

AVAILABLE IN F.A. O. UNESCO, WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION,
UNDP UNEP, AND COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOP-
MENT;
RECOGNIZING THE NEED TO PREPARE URGENTLY A WORLD INTEGRATED PROGRAMM
OF DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH AND APPLICATION OF SCIENCE AND TECH-
NOLOGY TO SOLVE THE SPECIAL PROBLEMS OF DESERTIFICATION AND RECUPERAT
ION
OF LAND LOST TO DESERTIFICATION,
CONVICED THAT WORK IN THIS FIELD SHOULD BE CARRIED OUT
AT THE NATIONAL,
REGIONAL AND GLOGAL LEVELS THROUGH STUDIES AND MEETINGS AT
THE APPROPRIATE TECHNICAL LEVELS;
REQUESTS THE SECRETARY GENERAL TO ESTABLISH A JOINT
SECRETARIAT OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE COMPETENT BODIES
OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM WITH A VIEW TO ASSISTING TECH-
NICALLY IN:
A) PREPARING A WORLD MAP OF AREAS AFFECTED BY THE PROCESS OF
DESERTIFICATION THROUGH REGIONAL AND SUB-REGIONAL MEETINGS
AT THE TECHNICAL LEVEL;
B) ASSESSING ALL THE AVAILABLE DATA AND INFORMATION ON DESERTI-
FICATION THROUGH THE ENLISTING OF ALL THE EXPERTISE AVAILABLE
FORM PUBLIC AND PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS AND ORGANI-
ZATIONS OF MEMBER - STATES;
C) PREPARING A PROGRAM OF ACTION TO ENSURE THE LAUNCHING OF AN
EFFECTIVE COMPREHENSIVE AND COORDINATED ACTION AGAINST
DESERTIFICATION, INCLUDING THE BUILDING UP OF INDIGENOUS AND
AUTONOMOUS SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY CAPACITY IN THE AREAS CONCERNED;
REQUEST FURTHER THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF UNEP AT ITS FOURTH
SESSION TO TAKE THE NECESSARY MEASURES TO CONVENE IN 1976
AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONFERENCE OF
DESERTIFICATION, SPONSORED BY UNEP, UNDER THE AEGIS OF THE
UNITED NATIONS;
REQUESTS FURTHER THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE UNEP TO
ENSURE THE IMPLEMENTATION AND COORDINATION OF THE PREPARATORY
WORK SET OUT IN PARAGRAPH 1;
INVITES THE INTERNATIONAL FINANCING ORGANIZATIONS,
PARTICULARLY THE UNDP, THE IBRD, AND THE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT
BANKS, TO EXTEND THEIR FULL ASSISTANCE TO THE ACTIVITIES
ENVISAGED ABOVE, INCLUDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SPECIFIC
MEASURES TO BE UNDERTAKEN AT THE NATIONAL AND REGIONAL LEVELS.
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